

# Stork Brings 8-Pound Bundle To Carlstrom Family on 175th

By Vera C. WRIGHT  
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Special stationery which seemed to come from "Outer Space," being sealed with molten metal, informed us that the happy threesome from the planet of "Earth"—By, Gloria and Holly Carlstrom, 3754 W. 175th St., have now become a lucky four—some with the addition of 8-pound 11-ounce Tricia Diane from the planet "Stork," which landed here on the eleventh of July.

Steve Dubase, a surprise guest on a business trip from Birmingham, Ala., caused quite a sensation over the weekend at the 4347 W. 177th St. hacienda of the C. C. Wilkersons. Dinner at home, then a trip to see night life within our South Bay area proved quite interesting for the handsome gentleman from the south. His place of residence during his stay is the Statler Hotel in Los Angeles.

Our "We're very sorry" department extends those sentiments to Al MacKenzie, 4322 W. 179th St., whose many, many hours of planning to move to Palm Dale go flying out the window due to the heat stroke which provided him with further proof that the doctor was absolutely right pronouncing the weather elements in that vicinity bad for his health. We know that he is very disappointed but fate has such a strange way of intervening at times that we can't help but feel that a greater and more helpful agenda for a very nice person.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Frelter, 4248 178th Pl., are this year's best parents in the world according to their three cherubs, Mary, Keith and Paul who are all set to direct their feet to Chiles, Ill. and South Bend, Ind., from whence they just visited on their vacation.

The North Torrance Canasta Lasses could not hold down the high speed with which Therese Schuster started off their July 12 card game and so ended up with first prize of one dozen homemade enchiladas and Agnes Verris took home a gay colored towel for being booby prize winner.

August 10 is the date imprinted on the mind of one of the most charming ladies within our community—Mrs. Gertrude Fiedler, 3806 W. 176th St., for that is the day that her daughter, Margie, who forms a part of a clever troupe called the "Nimblettes" will arrive from England. Keeping this lovely lady from becoming too lonely with the absence of her talented Miss have been the appearance of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Polzin from Seattle, Wash., who then proceeded to Los Alamitos, N. M. to visit their son, Gerald, and the visit of Mrs. Albert Cossette from Tacoma, Wash. who spent two weeks admiring the South Bay.

Aside from being one of the cleverest girls in town, Mrs. Eugene Phillips, 3305 W. 176th St., is now the happiest. The reason is Mrs. B. Horowitz from New York City, who is here on an extended visit. Incidentally, Mrs. Horowitz loves North Torrance.

Christmas is a long way off for many of us, but on July 7 the holiday spirit was in evidence for the E. Williams, Jr., 18504 Ashley Ave., with the delivery of a beautifully wrapped four-pound, ten-oz. package in the name of Raymond Kenneth. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Williams for proving that we can have Christmas in July.

The North Torrance Civic Improvement Association is sponsoring an "Inaugural Ball" for Queen Carol Winter, which will be held Saturday, July 31 at McMaster Hall, 174th and Yukon Ave. Mr. and Mrs. John Craine, co-chairmen of the queen committee are busily formulating plans to make this the most enjoyable and interesting evening of the year for all cooperative, congenial residents of North Torrance. The committee's most ingenious idea to date is the admission fee which will consist of the purchase of three fair tickets which amounts to 75 cents for stags and the purchase of four tickets—a dollar's worth—will admit one couple. Please underline the date for a wonderful cause!

That's not a flying missile you hear but the furor of excitement issuing forth from the Kenneth McVey home, 3225 W. 176th St., whose son David achieved status on a Little League major team this week and is now one of the Braves. Still re-echo-

ing is the welcome shout prompted by the appearance of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson McVey, Mrs. B. Monroe and son Kenneth from Tucson, Ariz. July 9 was Mrs. Wilson's birthday, so she celebrated with the following guests joining the large group: Mr. and Mrs. J. Carter of Redondo Beach, Mr. and Mrs. R. Allen and daughter Janice of Sunland and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McVey of Whittier. To further celebrate, Mr. and Mrs. McVey have accompanied grandchildren Julianne and David to Catalina Island for a week of fun.

Jack E. White, past president of the NTCIA, has the honor of escorting Miss Carol Winter, North Torrance Queen, when she attends the opening ceremonies of the Hawthorne Fair to congratulate their queen. We're very lucky to have such a poised young democrat to represent our community, don't you think so?

Interesting to note that the brand new association the North Torrance Voters League, sent a donation to Browne Troop 1400, sponsored by the Pacific Hills Homeowners Group. A very nice gesture to their neighbors across town. Those interested in this club may contact Mr. Cloward at Frontier 27597 or Mr. Blotti, Frontier 21623 or you may write for further information to 18528 Ashley Ave. The main purpose of the club as quoted by A. B. is to promote a better understanding between the citizens of North Torrance and its governing body, the Planning Commission, the Board of Education and other organizations.

Mrs. G. Waro, 17217 Prairie Ave., welcomed her mother-in-law Mrs. E. Ware back with open arms after her trip to Ohio. After a short visit Mrs. E. Ware headed for home in Compton.

Six-and-a-half-year-old Sherry Riley was sporting a beautiful red, white and blue bike which she helped to purchase with mom and dad adding their share. 17887 Yukon Ave. is where the charming young miss parks her bike every night.

Mrs. M. Davies of North Hollywood is the lucky grandmother who feted young Helen Hon, 4224 W. 182nd St., on her birthday Monday, July 12. Now that she has reached the age of eight, Helen decided to spend a few days with her grandmother.

Barry Brackett, 4270 W. 182nd St., and David Smith, 18405 Roslin Ave., are the two lucky boys who have been attending the YMCA Day Camp and are looking forward to their one night campout.

Esther Davis will be hostess for a surprise baby shower being given for Jackie Baker on Friday, July 23 at 7:30 p.m., 1137 Lagoon. Never was a secret so hard to keep!

## Girls to Leave for 10 Day Camp Session

Four young Torrance misses will leave this week for a 10-day session at Camp Stevens, new Episcopal Church campsite at Julian, near San Diego. Cora Wash, Margaret Cayton, Joan Stewart, and Kathy Jones will participate in the swimming, sportscraft, and hiking program. Attending camp from Torrance during the last 10-day period were Barbara Brady, Patsy Travis, Larry and Laila Willson, and Charles Cayton.

# Detective Sergeant Warns Of Stolen Check Forgers

By Tom Rische

The name of a Torrance businessman, Herbert E. Glicke, owner of the Mor Glo Paint Co., is apparently being forged by bad check writers, Detective Sgt. Percy Bennett said Friday. Checks from Glicke's firm were stolen some time ago, but checks from the Dasco Co., Inc., Compton, recently turned up in Torrance, bearing Glicke's signature. The payroll checks, numbered 1946 through 1919, were stolen from the Compton firm, along with a check writer.

A Los Angeles resident, George Lee Mowery, is the payee of the checks, but he is apparently innocent, Bennett said. Where the check writers got his name is a puzzle.

The checks were cashed recently in Torrance food markets.

**CHECKS STOLEN**  
Bennett also warned merchants to look for payroll checks, numbered 2129-2131 and 2185-2143, and commercial checks numbered 2372-2377, recently stolen from the Hub Construction Company, Compton.

Coupled with personal bad checks, stolen payroll checks cause police and merchants most trouble, the sergeant said. He urged merchants to check identification of check writers carefully.

Torrance merchants are generally good about checking identification, Bennett said, although he receives four to five bad checks a week on the average. Not for a long time has he received one more signed "U. R. Stuck," "George Washington," or other fictitious names. One businessman did cash the non-negotiable half of a check some time ago.

**Signs Wrong Name**

Most recent of personal checks cashed in Torrance are those written by John Clark, a fictitious person, drawn on the Torrance branch of Bank of America. He has visited several stores, buying a watch, shoes, and other goods. He gives the address, 4302 166th St., Lawndale.

One way in which "Clark" differs from most check writers is that he writes his checks for little more than the amount of his purchase. In most cases, Bennett said, check artists try to get considerably more money than is involved in the purchase.

When bad checks are received by the Police Department, the first step in catching the person is in getting a description. If this can be obtained, teletypes are sent out to police departments in the area with descriptions, and as much information as possible about the check writer.

**Check Handwriting**  
If a description cannot be obtained from victims, police are sometimes able to check the handwriting on checks.

Torrance police cooperate with other police in the area, and in the state. Drivers' license numbers are checked through the State Department of Motor Vehicles.

Merchants are notified through THE HERALD and through cards sent out to merchants with information about the checks. Bennett is trying to perfect the warning system at the present time.

## Hamlin Sweeps Speech Awards

Percy Hamlin swept both awards at the regular Tuesday meeting of the Torrance Toastmasters.

His subject was "The Truth About GI Babies in Japan," taken from a Reader's Digest story of the same title. Each contestant read his prepared article as if it were a broadcast over radio or television.

The table topic was a debate on the pros and cons of labor unions. Paul Fisher won the award for outstanding service to the club. A cup is presented each week to the member who creates the most interest at a meeting.

## Allied Gardens Neighborhood Turns Out To Welcome Adopted Girl

By VIOLA KLUG  
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The Harry Kimballs, 5106 Reese Rd., are the proud parents of an adopted daughter, Susan Kay, born June 1. Saturday evening, July 9, the whole neighborhood turned out to welcome the little stranger with a garden party and shower. After the gifts were opened and admired, chocolate cake, ice cream and coffee were enjoyed by all.

Present were the Messrs. and Mesdames McCollum, Aide, Butler, Pallitler, Marshall, Kokek, Calden, Sherriff, Harlin, Hollenbergers, Mrs. Cockrell and Miss Marian Brewster.

Not able to be present, but sending gifts were the Orfanos, Maledys, Walkers, Murklets, Braiwicks, Kramers, and Mrs. Ida McCollum.

We are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hohn, who have come to make their home at 5131 Reese Rd., Seaside Ranchos.

A Rita Rose Cosmetic party was held at the home of the Victor Staffs Monday evening, July 12. There were 10 ladies present.

After a demonstration in makeup by Elsa Lester, refreshments were served.

Among vacationists are Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ezggs with youngsters, Christine, Stephen, Douglas and Thomas, of 5321 Carol Dr. They left Saturday, July 10, for a camping trip at Yosemite.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bralwick and Mike, of 4819 Reese Rd., left Sunday, July 11, for a motor trip to visit Mrs. Bralwick's sister at Big Harbor, Wash.

Mrs. Walter Brown, 22414 Susana Ave., spent several days visiting friends in Santa Monica.

Miss Marian Brewster of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting her brother and family, the Keith Marshalls, of 1006 Reese Rd.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Louie Fucel on the birth of a third son at Torrance Memorial Hospital Saturday, July 10. The 8 lb. 1 oz. newborn has two brothers to keep him company, Gregory Louis and Michael Joseph. They reside at 6321 Clearsite Ave.

We are quite thrilled with the sign erected Sunday at the corner of Linda Dr. and Palos Verdes Blvd. by the Allied Gardens Homeowners Assn. We understand that there will be more of them erected throughout the tract wherever needed. We are indebted to P. A. Baxter and J. Mullin for making the sign, and to P. A. Baxter, president; C. Peterson, vice-president; J. M. Klug, secretary; P. J. Kiefer, treasurer; W. E. Betts, publicity; and E. A. Johnson for erecting it.

The plans for the picnic and barbecue Sunday, Aug. 1 are coming along fine. We hope to see all homeowners and friends out. We wish to get acquainted with our neighbors. You don't have to be a homeowner to come.



**KNIGHT WINS HIS WINGS . . .** Gov. Goodwin J. Knight (left), was presented ground observer corps wings in Sacramento last week by Maj. Gen. Walter E. Todd (center), Western Air Defense Force Commander. General Todd made the presentation for what he termed Knight's "outstanding assistance" to the program. In turn, Governor Knight presented General Todd with a copy of a proclamation declaring July 11 through 17 as Ground Observer Corps week. Maj. Gen. Walter M. Robertson (retired), director of Civil Defense for California, looks on.

## METHODIST FELLOWSHIP INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

With "Be Thou My Light" as a theme, new officers were installed last night in the MYF of the First Methodist Church. Installation rites followed a dinner at 7 p.m. at the church. Guest speaker was Dr. Douglas Walters, who spoke on "Be Thou My Light."

New president of the senior group is Ed Hutchison, who replaces Gene Walker. In the older youth group, Kent Harding replaced Wayne Hollins in the president's chair.

**Other Officers**  
Other senior officers are Sue Ann Cox, vice-president; Betty Hope, secretary; Gene Walker, treasurer; David Kealey, historian; and Judy Allen, publicity. Commissioners are Sharon Kirks, Lana Tanner, Claudia King, Pat Mellen and Carreen Scheu.

In the older group, officers will be Pat Larson, vice-president; Janie Moffatt, secretary; Janice Crabtree, treasurer; Carol Maloy, publicity; and Commissioners Mary Lou Hutchison, Harold Holmes and Dick Sunderburg. Mrs. Leona Eads conducted the candlelight installation ceremony. Guests included the Pastor, the Rev. John L. Taylor and his wife and Dr. Walters' wife.

## Funds Approved For Basin, Drain In Harbor City

Plans to dry up the Harbor City "lake" at 253rd St. and Marigold St. got into high gear this week with an announcement that the Los Angeles City Council has approved a recommendation for an appropriation of \$26,700 for a catch basin and storm drain at 254th St. and Normandie Ave. The storm drain and basin will help alleviate the problem of waters standing in the 253rd St. "lake" each year during the rainy season.

**Petitions Signed**  
The appropriation came after residents had signed petitions for improving streets in the area and the fund has been provided without added cost to property owners. The drain project consists of grading streets in the area of 253rd and Marigold, forcing water to drain to the basin at 254th and Normandie where it will be carried by pipe under the highway into the now existing open ditch. Councilman John S. Gibson said he has asked engineers to provide a sketch and estimate of cost for another drain under Pacific Coast Hwy. at Frampton.

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